

EXPLORATORY INNOVATION AND MOBILITY

- 19th Annual New Jersey Department of Transportation Research Showcase Keynote
- October 25th, 2017
- Dr. Jim Shurbutt, Federal Highway Administration

THE FHWA EXPLORATORY ADVANCED RESEARCH PROGRAM

- Focus on high-risk, high payoff research
- Merit review to enhance quality of research processes and results
- Research stakeholders involved throughout
- Commitment to successful project handoff

WHAT IS 'INNOVATION'?

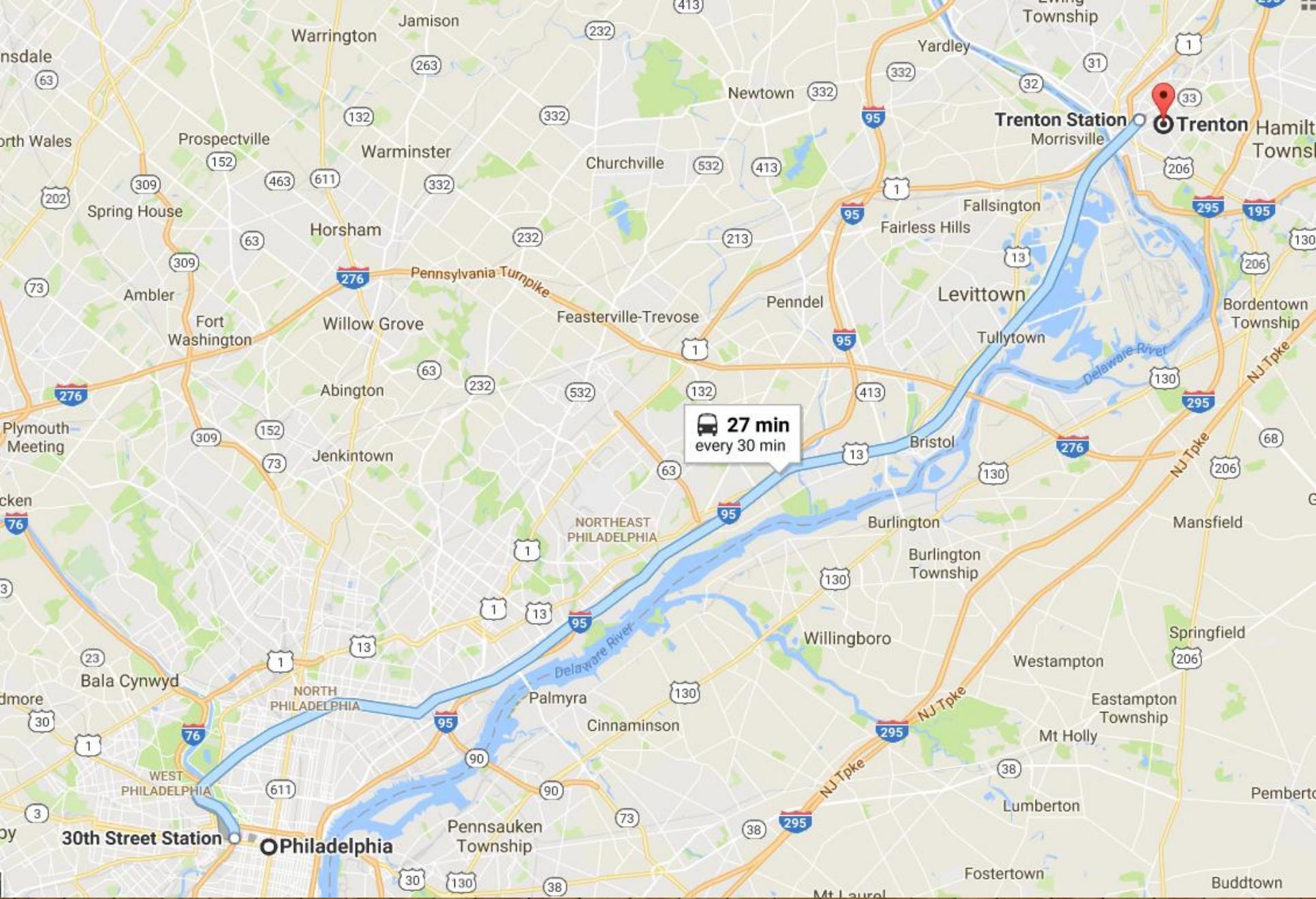
- According to Merriam-Webster...
 - The introduction of something new
 - A new idea, method, or device











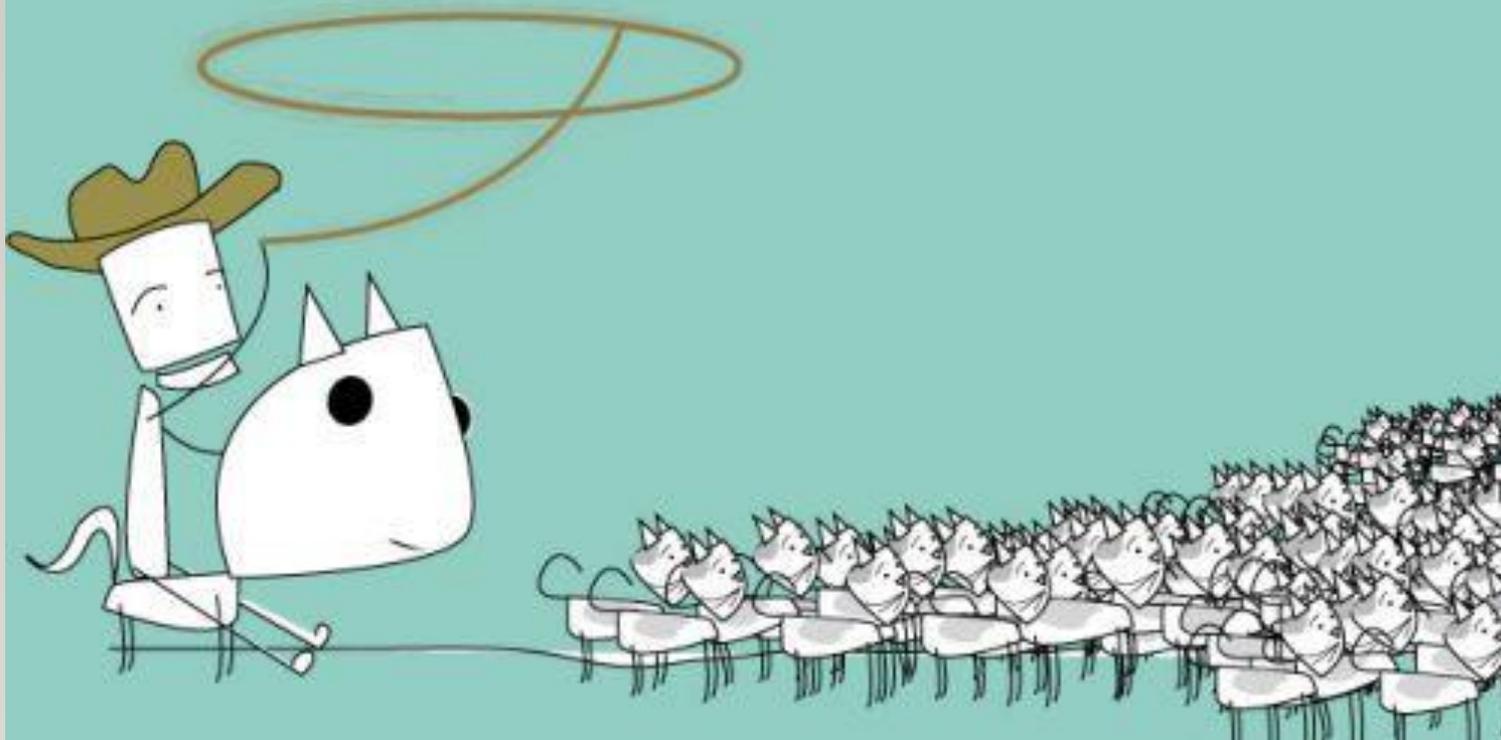
 **27 min**
every 30 min

30th Street Station  **Philadelphia**

Trenton Station  **Trenton**

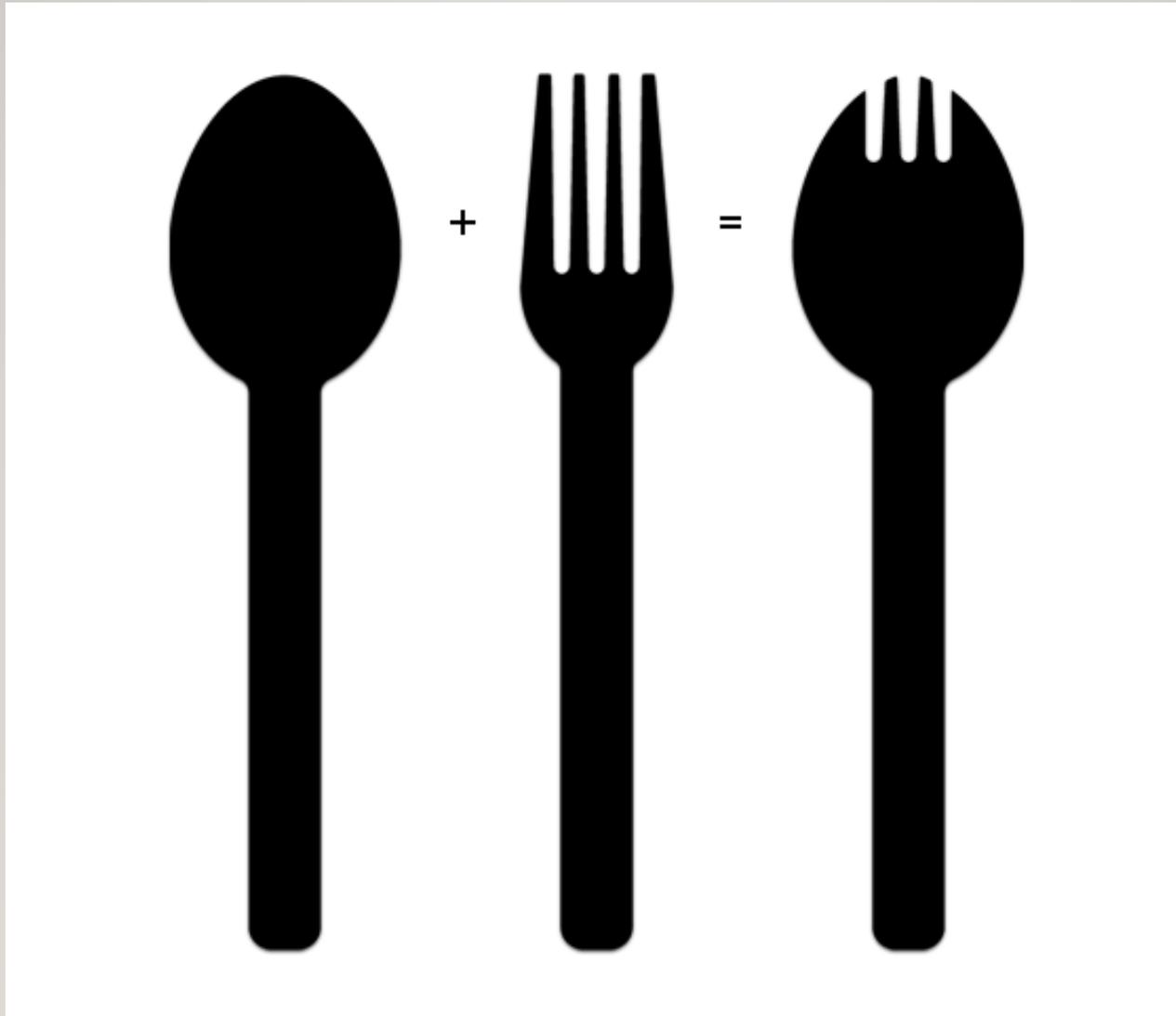


it's like herding cats.



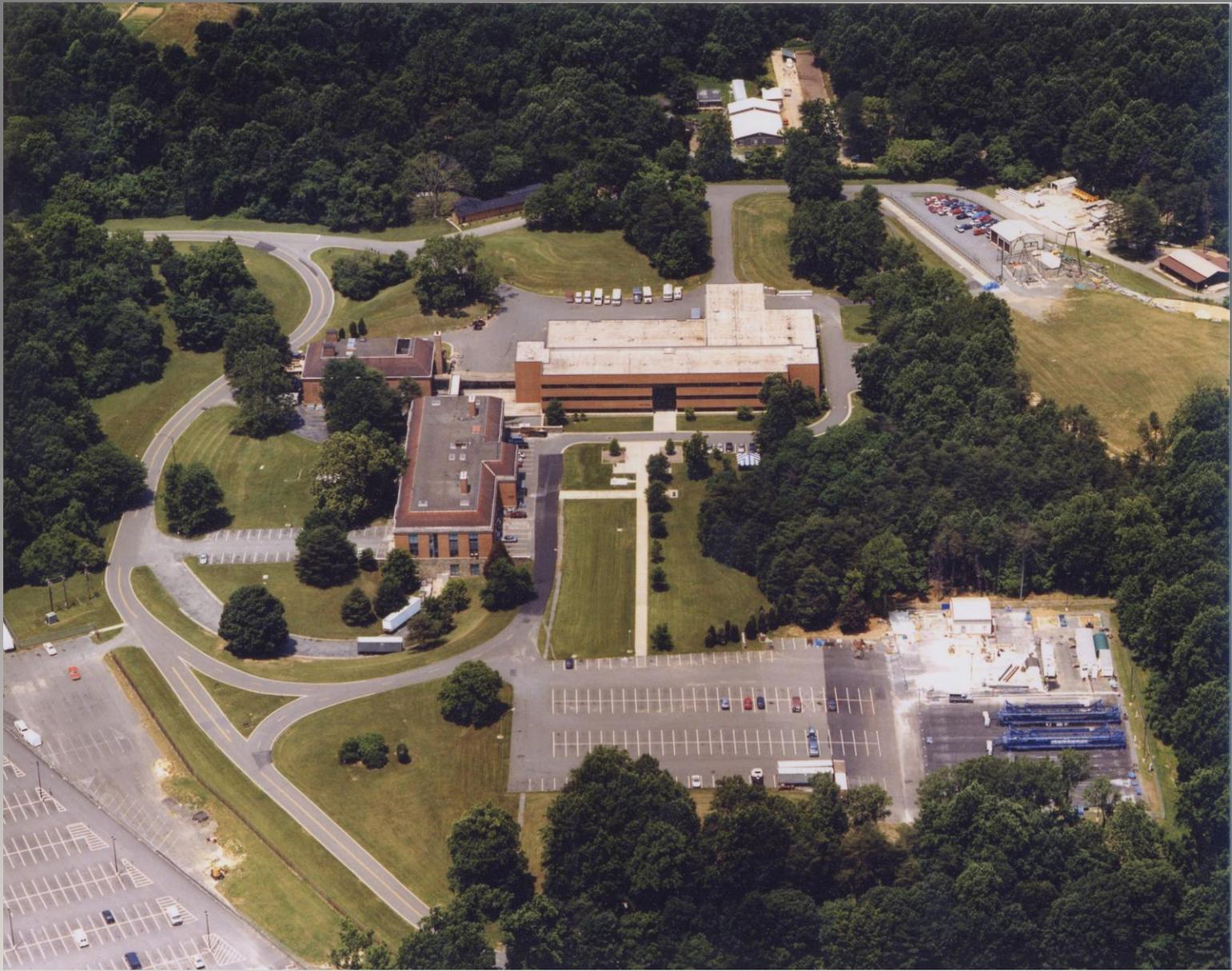
And Innovation can be similar.....

Maybe for a breakout, which is better, and why?

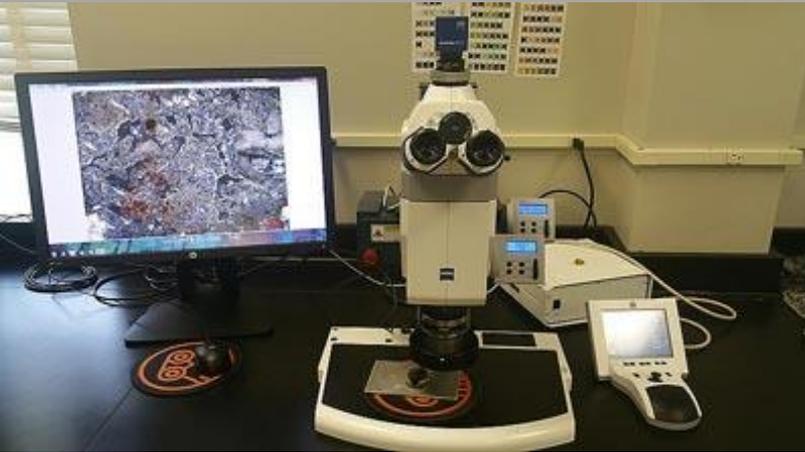


















Everyday Drivers

Highway Driving Simulator

Behavioral Research

Safely and economically investigate human behavior in conceptual designs.



Novel Roadway Interaction



Eye Gaze



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Highway Driving Simulator

Visualization

Virtual exploration of environmental states, traffic conditions, and new roadway designs.



New Intersection Designs



Realistic Nighttime Visibility



Simulated Weather



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Data Analysis

Human Factors Laboratory

Diverse methods and tools used to explore a broad spectrum of human performance.

Sign Category	MS-1	MS-2	MS-3	MS-4	MS-5
Advance Warning					
Slow Symbol				None	None
Grade Crossing Advance				None	None
Maximum Crossing					
Track Railroad with Advance Speed Limit					None
Trucks in Roadblocks					None
Warning Symbol (Energy)					None

Sign Lab



MiniSim





↑
Not Real







Innovation and Forensics

EXPLORATORY ADVANCED RESEARCH CONCERNED WITH INNOVATION AND MOBILITY

- Research to improve the mobility and lifestyle of those pedestrians with one of more impairments (blind, physical, cognitive)
- Includes indoors, outdoors, and transitions
 - Particularly in GPS derogated environments
- Three projects were awarded ~2012

PROTOTYPE

IMU
(mounted to camera)



DSRC Radio



GPS Antenna
(mounted on backpack)



Stereo camera
(mounted to chest)

iPhone



Tactile Vest / Belt



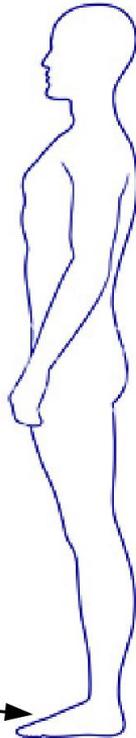
GPS Receiver
(contained within backpack)



Navigation Computer
(contained within backpack)



Pedometry IMU
(mounted rigidly to shoe)





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travel, addressing individual mobility needs. The initiative will enhance the capability of travelers to reliably, safely, and independently accomplish their unique travel plans.

ATTRI leverages recent advances in vehicle, infrastructure, and pedestrian-based technologies, as well as accessible data, mobile computing, robotics, artificial intelligence, object detection, and navigation. These technologies are enabled by ever present wireless communications that connect travelers and their mobile devices, vehicles, and roadside infrastructure.

The program is being implemented in three phases: 1) exploratory and user needs research; 2) innovation, prototype development, and testing; and 3) a demonstration phase. ATTRI has completed Phase 1 and is currently focused on Phase 2 activities.

ATTRI research focuses on the needs of three stakeholder groups: people with disabilities, veterans with disabilities, and older adults.



Persons with Disabilities



Veterans with Disabilities



Older Adults

ATTRI will also develop technological solutions to lower or remove barriers to transportation according to four functional disabilities: visual, hearing, cognitive and mobility.



THE COMPLETE TRIP

After his doctor's appointment, Andy decides to take a spontaneous trip to meet a friend at a coffee shop in an unfamiliar part of town. Using ATTRI's **pre-trip concierge**, **wayfinding and navigation**, **robotics and automation**, and **safe intersection crossing** applications, Andy can travel with confidence throughout his trip.

5. Arrival at Destination

Andy safely arrives at his destination, while the **pre-trip concierge application** plans his return trip home.

4. Cross the Street

As Andy approaches an intersection, his **safe intersection crossing application** communicates with the traffic signal to ensure sufficient time for him to safely cross the street, and notifies him when it is safe to begin crossing. The application also communicates with nearby cars to notify them of Andy's presence in the intersection.

1. Plan and Book a Trip

Andy uses a **pre-trip concierge application** to plan and book his trip from the doctor's office to the coffee shop.

2. Travel to Transit Station

An **automated shuttle** (rideshare service) is dispatched to take Andy to the transit station based on his booked trip. Once there, an **assistive robot** helps Andy to his bus platform.

3. Ride the Bus

While on the bus, Andy receives direction on when to pull the Stop Request cord from his **wayfinding and navigation application**. After he departs the bus, the application provides Andy with turn-by-turn walking directions to the coffee shop.



For more information on the ATTRI program status and details on the ATTRI application areas and foundational considerations see the [progress and insights](#) page.

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